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TAGS: ASEC, TU (BERGUS, DONALD C.)

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE TURKISH PRESS REPORT RE DONALD BERGUS

FOR AMBASSADOR AND DCM ONLY

1. FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS GIVEN EUR/SE ON DECEMBER 30
BY AN FSO CURRENTLY AT HARVARD UNIVERSITY.

2. GREEK-AMERICAN STUDENTS AT HARVARD IN COURSE OF CONVER-
SATIONS REGARDING USG POLICY TOWARD GREECE AND TURKEY
INFORMED FSO THAT UNNAMED INDIVIDUALS HAD "DISCOVERED THAT
DCM DONALD BERGUS WAS OF GREEK ANCESTRY" AND WERE PLANNING
TO COMMUNICATE THIS FACT TO TURKISH PRESS AND OPPOSITION
LEADER BULENT ECEVIT IN BELIEF AND HOPE THAT TURKS WOULD
REACT SHARPLY. FSO'S STUDENT CONTACTS BELIEVE STORY WILL
BREAK IN TURKISH PRESS AS EARLY AS DECEMBER 31, AND HAVE
EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT SUBSEQUENTLY BERGUS MAY BE IN
DANGER FROM RADICAL ELEMENTS, INCITED BY PRESS ARTICLES.

3. COMMENT: WE HAVE NO WAY OF VERIFYING ACCURACY OF THE
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